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Timely Tidbits ...

Annual Goodfellow Paper Drive Set for December 5-6

The annual Romulus Goodfellow Paper Drive will be conducted on Friday, December 5, and Saturday, December 6, at intersections throughout Romulus. Please give generously. Your heart will be warmed, knowing that you're helping a neighbor have a happy holiday season.

Other Donations Sought

The Goodfellows are also seeking donations of money, non-perishable food items, and new, unwrapped toys for their holiday program. For more information, contact Jill Martin at the Romulus Fire Department: 941-8585.

Applications Being Accepted

The Goodfellows are still accepting applications from families and senior citizens seeking holiday help. Applications are available at the Romulus Police Department, Romulus City Hall, and Romulus Fire Station #4. Deadline is Friday, December 12.

Santa's Coming!

Santa makes his official arrival in Romulus on Friday, December 5, when he will drop in, via helicopter, at Romulus Historic Park to light the City's Christmas tree. Community caroling will begin at 6:30 p.m., followed by the tree-lighting at 7 p.m. Afterward, Santa will stop in at Wick School, where local children can enjoy refreshments and sit on Santa's lap to tell him their holiday wishes.

For information about other holiday programs, see page 7.

Mail Letters to Santa

The Romulus Civic League is sponsoring its annual "Letters to Santa" program this month.

Children who write to Santa may drop their letters into the special "Santa's Mailbox," in front of the Romulus Public Library (11121 South Wayne Road, next to City Hall). Each child who writes will receive a return letter, provided that he or she has included a return address. □

Oakley Announces Candidacy for Judgeship in 34th District Court

Hoping to fill the seat that will be vacated when Judge Henry Zaborowski retires in November 1998, Brian A. Oakley has officially announced his candidacy for judge of the 34th District Court.

Oakley – the managing partner of Oakley & Oakley, Attorneys at Law (a four-attorney, general-practice law office located in downtown Romulus) – will be making his second try for the 34th District Court's bench. In his previous campaign, waged against incumbent Judge William Szlinis in November 1996, he was defeated by a slim, 215-vote margin.

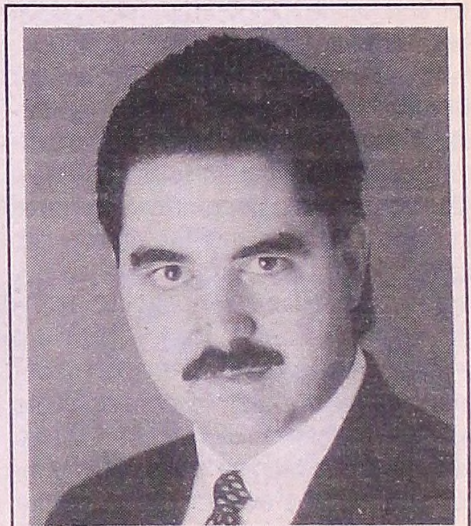
"Another election is the only way to complete the hard work that went into

our '96 campaign," says Oakley. "I feel that I owe it to all of my friends and supporters to finish what we started two years ago."

When asked what is next on his agenda, Oakley responded, "After the holidays, I will start campaigning in earnest by getting around to the five communities in this district [Belleville, Romulus, Huron Township, Sumpter Township, and Van Buren Township] and meeting the local residents."

"That's the fun part about running for office – the people."

Anyone who is interested in helping Oakley with his campaign for election to the 34th District Court should contact him at 941-1920. □



Brian A. Oakley

Children's "SmokeScream" Echoes Through Capitol Dome, Cory School

When hundreds of Michigan school children stood on the Capitol steps in Lansing last month to scream their protest against the use of cigarettes and other tobacco products, their voices were echoed here in Romulus by Cory Elementary School students who also wanted to participate in the American Cancer Society's Great American SmokeScream.

State Senator Loren Bennett (R-Canton Township), who cosponsored the event in Lansing, joined the students at the Capitol as they demonstrated their commitment to staying smoke-free and encouraging others to do the same.

"Of all daily smokers, close to 80% began smoking before they were legally able to buy cigarettes at age 18," Bennett said. "It is wrong that the tobacco companies use advertising to target young people in their relentless pursuit of new smokers. Therefore, it is important that young people have a voice – a loud voice – in saying that this type of advertising will no longer be tolerated."

Joining Bennett at the SmokeScream and pledging his support was the Director of the Michigan Department of Community Health, James K. Haveman, Jr.

"We will aggressively continue to educate children on the dangers of smoking," Haveman stated. "Not only will we encourage them to quit, but we will also urge them not to start this deadly habit in the first place."

Bennett is sponsor of Senate Bill 341, which would ban all tobacco advertising on Michigan billboards. The

measure has passed the Senate and is currently awaiting action in the House Transportation Committee, chaired by Representative Burton Leland (D-Detroit). To convince Leland of citizens' support of SB 341, Bennett has presented him with more than 21,000 signatures on petitions signed by students and parents. □



Cory Elementary students stepped outside their school and used their clean, healthy, smoke-free lungs to scream in support of the American Cancer Society's Great American SmokeScream. Their voices echoed those of young people all across the State, including hundreds who traveled to Lansing to protest on the Capitol steps.

Guest Commentary

1995 Michigan Adoption Law Allows Birth Family Members to Reunite

By Annette Zsenyuk

Adoptees and their birth parents have an effective, but little known, option that enables them to be reunited if they so desire. A new State law that was created in 1995 allows adult birth family members to petition the court to search for and locate their birth parents, adult birth siblings, or adult adopted child.

The law, introduced by Senator Bouchard, reflects lawmakers' understanding that birth family members often desire to locate each other. This law requires courts to appoint a confidential intermediary to review the closed file, search for the individual(s) in question, and contact them discreetly and confidentially to ascertain whether they are willing to release any information about themselves or meet or communicate with the former family member. It also allows for the release of identifying information in the event that the former family member is deceased. The new law is a good one in that it allows birth family members who wish to be reunited to make contact, while also requiring respect for privacy.

The Michigan Probate Judges Association has sponsored training that most judges require in order to be eligible for appointment as a confidential intermediary. As one such intermediary serving Michigan courts, I have found that many birth family members are not aware of how effective this new law is. By the time I speak with them, many have searched on their own for years. Others may know of the change, but don't know who to contact because they are not sure where they were adopted. I advise adoptees to check with the probate court in the county where their adoptive parents lived at the time that the adoption took place. Birth parents can ask the agency that they worked with at the time.

Birth family members ask many questions when I contact them. It's evident that these people have been in pain for years. The birth parents always wondered if their child was safe and had a happy life; the adoptees want to know

about their heritage and their medical history. I have been able to locate at least one former family member in 100% of my cases, and, 98% of the time, the person contacted agrees to some form of contact with his/her family member. To the credit of those who do not wish to communicate, they are almost always willing to exchange photographs and medical history information.

I believe it's especially important for confidential intermediaries to have a strong respect for all parties to the adoption. To this end, a confidential intermediary must sometimes be creative in helping birth family members. I have arranged for post office boxes and provided telephone cards for adoptees or birth parents to allow privacy when they are not ready or able to share their interest in the former family member with their spouse or adoptive parents. Although I encourage everyone to be honest with their loved ones, I also recognize that such honesty is not always possible.

I encourage everyone with questions about the new law to contact their local probate court. Questions can also be addressed to me via e-mail at AZSENYUK@compuserve.com or by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 70, Manchester, Michigan 48158.

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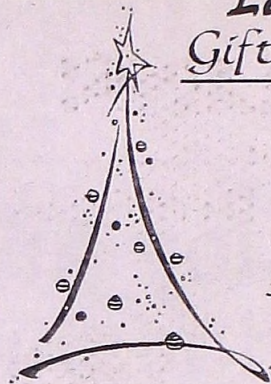
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Alumni Association Targets RHS Graduates of the Fifties

On October 25, 1997, more than 350 members of the Romulus High School (RHS) graduating classes of 1950-1959 held a successful reunion at the Crown Plaza in Romulus. In honor of the event, the Romulus Alumni Association is offering graduates of that decade the chance to join the Alumni Association for just \$5.

The Romulus Alumni Association is an organization of over 550 RHS graduates who support scholarships and grants for students at Romulus High School. Regular dues are just \$10 a year for individuals and \$15 for couples. Lifetime memberships are available for \$100. Membership is free for all class valedictorians.

Annual events sponsored by the

Association include a Chili Cookoff and Euchre Tournament, the Homecoming Alumni Tent, and the Alumni Hall of Fame Dinner. A monthly newsletter - containing news of graduates and their families as well as activities for members - goes out to all current members.

If you graduated from Romulus High School during the 1950s and would like to become a member, send your name, address, and year of graduation to Marge Bergman, Romulus Alumni Association, 39000 Superior, Romulus, Michigan 48174. Members of other classes are welcome, of course, but enrollment is \$10.

Questions? Contact Marge Bergman at the Community Education Office (313-941-0610). □

Alumni Hall of Fame Inductees Sought

The Romulus High School (RHS) Alumni Association is seeking nominations for its RHS Hall of Fame induction, to be held on Saturday, March 21, at the High School. Inductees for 1997 were Lloyd Ward (Class of 1966), Terry Mills (1986), John Long (1974), and Grant Long (1984).

In order to be nominated, alumni must have graduated from Romulus prior to September, 1988, and should have achieved a measure of success in their particular field of work or endeavor. They should have contributed to their chosen profession or life-style through outstanding individual performance or leadership, and be willing to serve as a role model to Romulus High School stu-

dents. Consideration also will be given to nominees who have contributed time, leadership effort, and/or resources to benefit the City of Romulus or the city/state in which they live. Nominees do not have to be a member of the Alumni Association, and can come from any graduating class from 1916 through 1988.

Inductees for 1998 will be chosen by a committee of Association members and Romulus Community Schools personnel.

Nomination forms can be obtained by calling Marge Bergman at the Romulus/Van Buren Community Education Office (313-941-0610). The deadline for nominations is Friday, December 12. □

Community Education Seeks Ideas for New Classes

The Romulus/Van Buren Community Education Office is looking for people to teach new and interesting classes as part of the nighttime enrichment program offered at Romulus High School and Belleville High School. New classes for this year included Mosaic Glass Garden Stones, Pie Making, Modern Uses for Ancient Herbs, Country Line Dancing, Home Remodeling, and Builder's License Preparation. Several classes were offered for young teens, including Hunter Safety, Baby-sitter Certification, and Put Your Best Foot Forward.

Do you have a skill or craft that you'd be comfortable sharing with other adults or children? Of particular interest are craft and cooking classes, as well as music classes of any kind. The Community Education Office handles all

advertising and enrollment, as well as room scheduling in either building. Classes generally run about two hours per night, and you can work any nights that you choose. The class may run for just one week, or for five to six weeks.

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Beauty, Business Are Bywords at NBA Nails in Romulus



By Rikki Strobos

"A woman's hands say a lot about her, so it's important that she give them the best of care," says Kiet Van, owner of NBA Nails. "Beautifully sculpted, decorated nails create an impression of grace and elegance that carries over to the woman herself."

According to Van, making hands look beautiful – and doing it at a lower price than many of his competitors – is his specialty.

"I take great pride in our professionalism," says the 31-year-old Van, who also owns the Sassy Nail salon in Oak Park and works at the Crystal Nail salon in Inkster's Cherry Hill Plaza. "We're always looking for ways to improve our service, and we welcome customers' suggestions concerning airbrushing and nail art, products, etc."

Van says that he chose to open a salon in Romulus because it's expanding in all the right ways.

"With its growing neighborhoods and business districts, this city is bring-

ing good people together," he explains. "That's what's most important to me because I love dealing with the public."

Managing NBA Nails is Richard Van, whose job is to make sure that cousin Kiet's philosophy of beauty and business is maintained on a daily basis. Because Van knows that many people are wary about salons' health and hygiene precautions as well as the quality of service they render, he assures customers that the salon's nail technician, Chris Dang, is licensed by the State of Michigan, and that only the finest products, such as O.P.I., are used.

Although Kiet Van was born in Vietnam, he has lived in the United States for the past 17 years, and graduated from high school in Louisiana. Currently, he resides in Dearborn Heights.

NBA Nails – located at 27497 Eureka Road in Romulus – is open Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Sunday from 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Walk-ins are welcome. For more information, please call 941-2219. □

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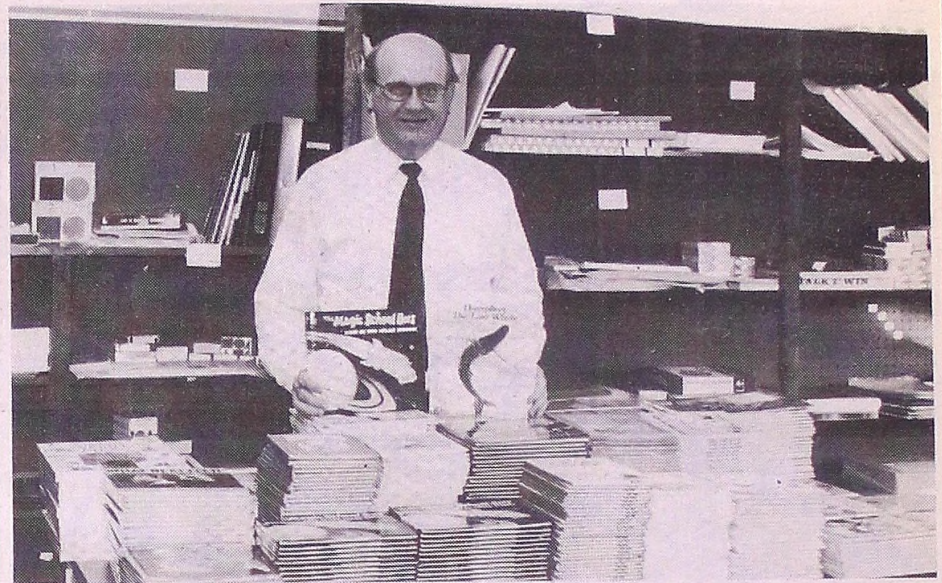
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Education Groups Team Up To Bring Free Books To Kids



Claude Siders, Director of Special Education, exhibits some of the books donated to Romulus students by the Michigan Friends of Education.

Special Education students in the Romulus School District will soon be receiving free books thanks to the efforts of the District's Special Education Director, Claude Siders, and the Michigan Friends of Education.

Siders was pleased when the Michigan Friends of Education — a nonprofit organization which collects, stores, and distributes books donated by book publishers — contacted him.

"Whenever our children can receive books at no charge, I am happy to help," he said. "The organization contacted me by letter, and all I had to do was complete the form and supervise the distribution."

More than 1,200 donated books have been delivered to his office, ac-

cording to Siders. Special Education teachers will select books for their students and transport them to their school sometime next week for distribution to Special Education students over the course of the next two months. The books have been sorted for both reading level and interest level.

Siders specially requested high-interest, low-vocabulary books for some of the Middle and High School students.

"These students have a passionate desire to read, and special-interest books enhance that desire," he stated.

Guidelines prohibit the books from being used as resource material, classroom editions, or library books.

The Michigan Friends of Education has been donating books to schools and nonprofit organizations for 14 years. Funded through a grant from the Michigan State Library, this nonprofit group has provided 250,000 children with books in more than 650 school districts and nonprofit organizations.

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Barth Bulletin Board Depicts the First Thanksgiving



Three students from Marie Hall's classroom – (from left) Erick Jackson, Sunny Singh, and Caleb Wisterman – proudly stand in front of their student-made learning board with Hall.

Students in Marie Hall's classroom at Barth Elementary School designed a special bulletin board, depicting how the first Thanksgiving Day must have looked, as part of their lesson on why we celebrate this national holiday. Students studied the land, housing, people, and environment of the early days of our country; designed a diagram that would reflect what they had learned; and then displayed the diagram on their classroom-wide bulletin board.

Hall wanted the children to receive a better understanding of how difficult those days in the 1620s were, and a better appreciation of why the Pilgrims and Indians were so thankful.

"Students find it difficult to appreciate what our forefathers did to make our country what it is today," said Hall. "This student bulletin board required students to research and discover what those primitive days were like."

The design and cutouts were made to scale to give students a more realistic understanding about those times.

Barth Principal Jeffrey Royal was proud of the students' accomplishments.

"Mrs. Hall used this difficult assignment to reinforce what the students had learned in their social studies unit," Royal explained. "A thorough understanding of the material covered was necessary in order to make such a realistic learning board." □

Upcoming Athletics at the Middle School

Boys' Basketball

- Romulus at Inkster (Tue., Dec. 9, 3:45 p.m.)
- Belleville North at Romulus (Thurs., Dec. 11, 3:45 p.m.)
- Belleville South at Romulus (Tue., Dec. 16, 3:45 p.m.)
- Romulus at Redford Union Hilbert (Tue., Jan. 6, 3:45 p.m.)

Upcoming Athletics at Romulus High

Boys' Basketball (V & JV)

- Ann Arbor Pioneer at Romulus (Tue., Dec. 9, 5:30 p.m.)
- Romulus at Robichaud (Tue., Dec. 16, 5:30 p.m.)
- Romulus at River Rouge (Fri., Dec. 19, 5:30 p.m.)

Boys' Freshman Basketball

- Romulus at River Rouge (Tue., Dec. 9, 4 p.m.)
- Romulus at Monroe (Fri., Dec. 12, 4 p.m.)
- Romulus at Inkster (Tue., Dec. 16, 4 p.m.)

Volleyball (V & JV)

- Romulus at Taylor Tournament – JV only (Fri., Dec. 19, 3:30 p.m.)
- Romulus at Taylor Tournament – Varsity only (Sat., Dec. 20, 8:30 a.m.)

Wrestling

- Romulus at Allen Park Invitational (Sat., Dec. 6, 8 a.m.)
- Romulus at Hartland High Tournament (Sat., Dec. 13, 8 a.m.)
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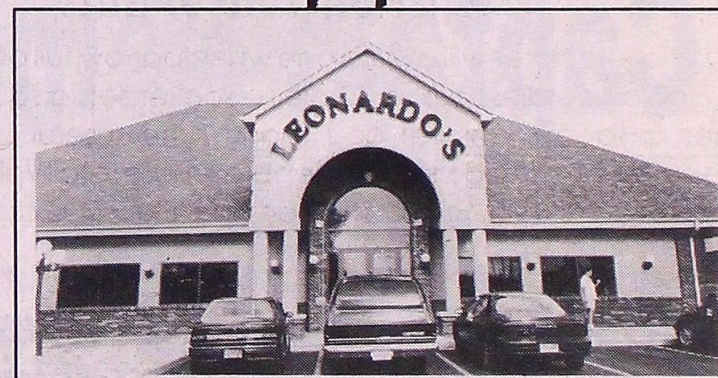


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Hometown Holiday Happenings

One of our city's most attractive aspects is its hometown atmosphere, and that's especially true during the holidays, when a variety of special activities – such as a winter concert performed by local choir and dance students (see below) – bring us all together to enjoy the spirit of the season.

Santa To Conduct Community Tree-lighting Ceremony

Santa makes his official arrival in Romulus on Friday, December 5, when he "drops in" from the sky via helicopter at Romulus Historic Park to light the City's Christmas tree. Community caroling will begin at 6:30 p.m., followed by the tree-lighting at 7 p.m.

Afterward, Santa will stop in at Wick Elementary School, where local children can enjoy refreshments and sit on Santa's lap to share their holiday wishes. In addition, a donation from the Michigan Week Festival Committee's funds was used to purchase stockings to be given to children who attend.

Museum Displays Recall Christmas Holidays of Old

Those who plan to attend the community tree-lighting on Friday, December 5, may also want to stop in at the Romulus Historical Museum between 5:30 and 7 p.m. to see holiday displays that recall the Christmases of bygone days. Three "period" tabletop trees will be decorated to resemble those typical of the 1850s, 1860s, and 1940s, and a number of Christmas cards from the early twentieth century will be exhibited, as well.

Also of interest will be a case filled with Coca-Cola memorabilia of various types, including small toys and gadgets that give the display a festive feeling. Entertainment will be provided by the Golden Griffon Stringtet, and refreshments will be served.

Donations of new, unwrapped toys will be accepted on behalf of the Romulus Goodfellow organization.

Breakfast with Santa at St. Aloysius

St. Aloysius Catholic School (located at 37200 Neville Road in Romulus) will host a Santa Breakfast from 9 to 11 a.m. on Saturday, December 6. Scrambled eggs, sausage links, waffle sticks, and a beverage will be served. Cost is \$3.50 for adults; \$3 for children. Participants can also get their picture taken with Santa for an additional \$2. For more information, call Laura Coomer at 941-1389.

Christmas-tree Trim/Holiday Mural

The Romulus Public Library (located at 11121 South Wayne Road, next to City Hall) invites everyone to come down at 10 a.m. on Saturday, December 6, to string popcorn and cranberries and make paper chains to decorate the building's Christmas tree. Participants will also have an opportunity to make an ornament to take home.

Residents are also invited to use their artistic ideas and talents to contribute to the library's holiday mural. To add your picture, stop in during the building's regular open hours (Mondays through Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Saturdays from 12 to 5 p.m.) through December 20.

For more information, call 942-7589.

Schools' Winter Concert

The choirs and dance classes from Romulus High School and Romulus Middle School will showcase their talents for the public in the District's annual Winter Concert, set for 7 p.m. on Wednesday, December 10, in the High School auditorium. The concert will include music and dances from other countries as well as traditional favorites of the season. Admission is free.

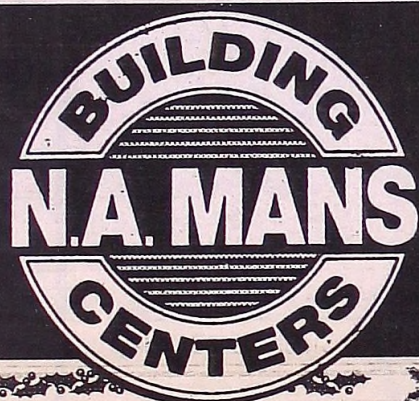
Wayne County "Festival of Lights" Tour

Residents of all ages are invited to take part in the Romulus Recreation Department's tour of the Wayne County Light Festival, set for Friday, December 12, at 6 p.m. (bus will return to the Recreation office at approximately 9 p.m.). A charge of \$2 per person or \$6 per family covers transportation and admission; additional funds should be brought by those who plan to purchase refreshments at the snack/souvenir shop which is on the route. Deadline for registration is December 11. For more information, call the Recreation office at 942-6852.

Lunch with Santa at the Romulus Recreation Department

Children ages three to 10 can eat lunch with Santa at the Romulus Recreation Department (36515 Bibbins) at 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, December 13. A \$3-per-person fee includes hot dogs, chips, drink, and dessert. Early registration is advised, since space is limited to the first 50 people to sign up. Deadline for registration is December 11. For more information, call the Recreation office at 942-6852.

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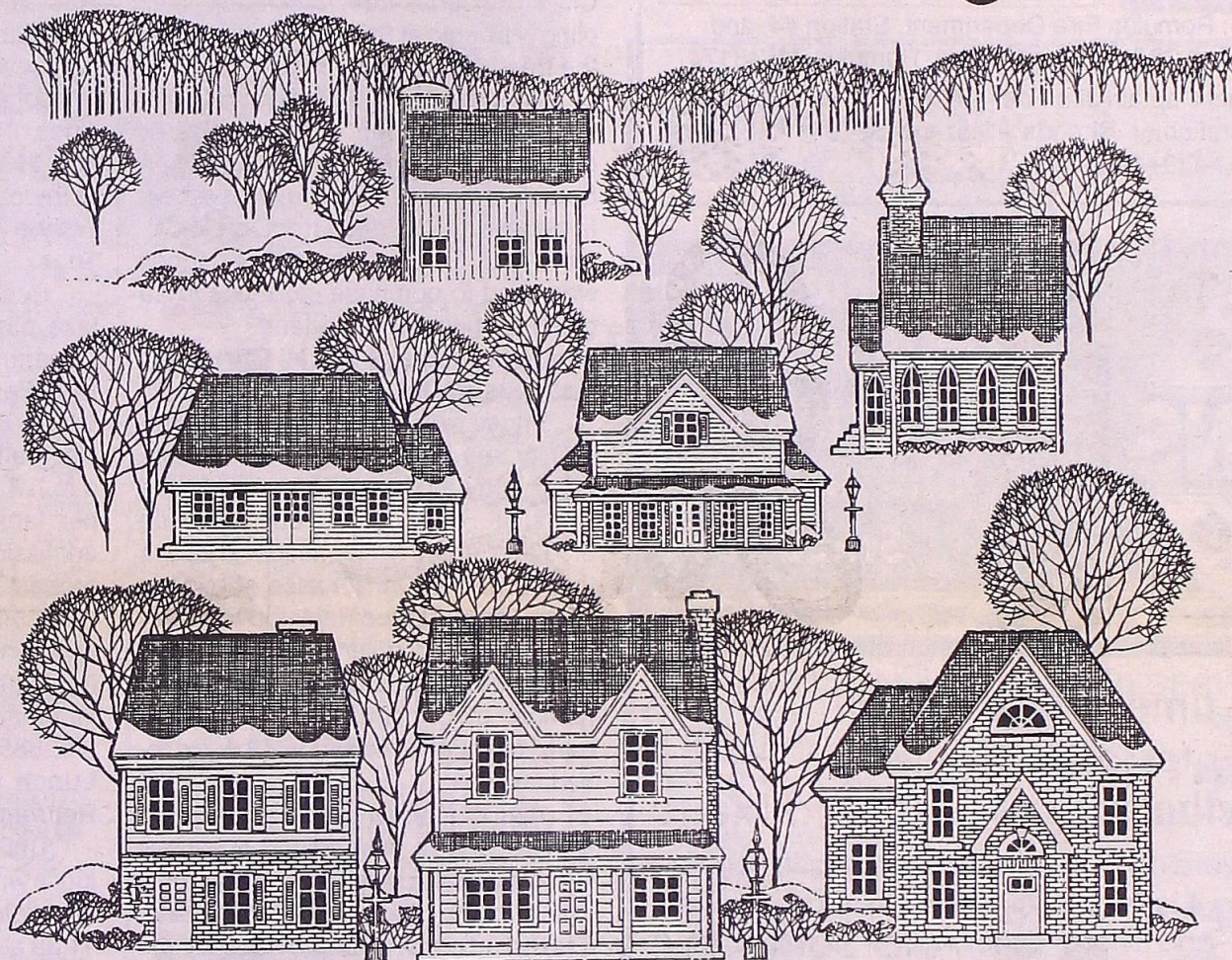
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*Our list of 55 words
can be found on page 12*

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	37	38	39	
	40	41	42	

DEFINITIONS

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| 1. Preserves a food in brine | 21. Aromatic herb |
| 2. Join at the ends, as film | 22. Popular rodent pet |
| 3. Lengthy, persuasive speech | 23. Courtesy title for one too young to be addressed as "mister" |
| 4. Dryer's partner | 24. Conditions of an agreement |
| 5. Equitable portion | 25. Determine with certainty, as through experimentation |
| 6. Char or scorch | 26. Container used for dry food staples |
| 7. Establishment which features coin-operated games | 27. Assured; indisputable |
| 8. Small group of specially trained personnel | 28. One who exhibits one's learning or scholarship in an ostentatious manner |
| 9. Hit an unreturnable serve | 29. Highly skilled |
| 10. Period of excessive indulgence in food or drink | 30. Social engagement, especially for the purpose of courting |
| 11. Make taunting or jeering remarks | 31. Not yet a legal adult |
| 12. Ask earnestly; entreat | 32. Mentally disturb; make insane |
| 13. Striped animals | 33. Hazard; risk; peril |
| 14. Heavy sword with a slightly curved blade | 34. Austrian or German emperor |
| 15. Uncover; expose | 35. First sign of the zodiac |
| 16. Cleric who assists a rector or vicar | 36. Form of address for a king |
| 17. Small glass bottle for condiments such as vinegar or oil | 37. Coarse, brightly printed cloth |
| 18. Restore to health | 38. Baby's tummy ache |
| 19. Partial or total loss of memory | 39. Twist; spiral |
| 20. Measurement of a pant leg's length | 40. City Councilman Prybyla |
| | 41. Spite |
| | 42. Assert; maintain |

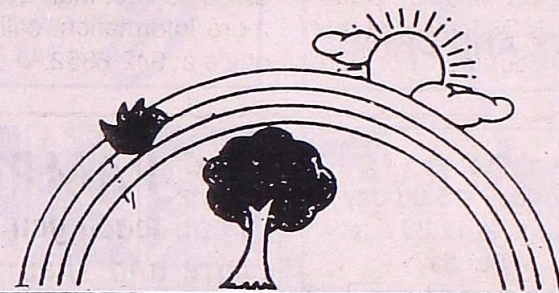
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HOMETOWN HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS

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Christmas Craft Class

The Romulus Recreation Department is offering a one-day Christmas craft class for residents of all ages (children eight and under must be accompanied by an adult) at the Recreation building (36515 Bibbins) on Saturday, December 13, from 1 to 4 p.m. A \$3 fee covers materials for a potpourri pie, reindeer, or Christmas ball, or crafters can pay \$5 to make an angel. (Samples of these creations are currently on display at the Recreation building.) Deadline for registration is December 11, but earlier sign-up is encouraged. For more

information, call the Recreation office at 942-6852.

Romulus "Holiday Decorations" Tour

Adults only are invited to tour the City on Thursday, December 18, to judge homes in the City's annual holiday decorating contest. Bus departs from the Recreation office at 6 p.m. Cost is just \$1. Deadline for registration is Wednesday, December 17. (Note: Residents who would like to enter their home in the contest must contact the Recreation Department to give their name and address no later than December 17.) For more information, call the Recreation office at 942-6852. □

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Cooperative Teaching Helps Wick Students Learn



Pat Adams, a fifth-grade teacher at Wick, oversees interactive work between her students and Wick third-graders.

"Children are never too young to learn to work together for a common goal," says Pat Adams, a fifth-grade teacher at Wick Elementary School. To demonstrate the truth of her statement, Adams had students from her classroom work on a science lesson with students from Mrs. Motyka's third-grade class.

The fifth-grade students gave lessons to the third-graders about light — how it is made, what it does, and how it can be reflected. Using the scientific method of investigation, the students worked together to verify and demonstrate what they had learned. Students

then completed their experiment by writing down their results and sharing their reports.

Principal Debbie Juriga was pleased with the teamwork displayed by students and teachers.

"Industry needs people who will work cooperatively on team efforts," she said, "and this lesson helped students further develop their cooperation skills by practicing them. As the fifth-graders explained and demonstrated the steps of scientific investigation, their knowledge was tested; meanwhile, the younger students learned an important science concept," she concluded. □

Halloween Learning Was Fun



Wick teacher, Linda Meredith (far left), and her assistant, Donna Wilson (far right), turned Halloween into a learning experience for their students (Jason Andrews, Steven Bostain, Rondal Cox, Justin Dockery, Yvette Douglas, Danielle Hendricks, Connelly Hughes, Justin Lambert, Brittini Lansbury, Joy McWilliams, Jujuan Mosby, Jeffrey Ottenbreit, Samantha Smith, and Darrell Ward) by having them research the day's history and meaning, then read and dramatize a Halloween story for an audience of younger children.

Community Calendar

- **Romulus Rotary Seeks Old Eyeglasses** – The Romulus Rotary Club is asking people to donate their old prescription eyeglasses to help those who are less fortunate. A drop-off center will be made available, for your convenience, at the Romulus IGA on Goddard Road in the downtown area.
- **Romulus Little League Fund-raiser** – The Romulus Little League's annual bowling-night fund-raiser will be held at Woodhaven Lanes (20000 Van Horn) on Saturday, December 6, at 10 p.m. A donation of \$15 per person covers three games, shoes, and door prizes. Families are welcome! For more information, or to purchase tickets, please call Cathy (941-7612) or Regina (721-5053).
- **The Nutcracker** – The Taylor Ballet Americana and the Southern Great Lakes Symphony Orchestra, in conjunction with the Huron Civic Theatre, will present *The Nutcracker* at the Theatre (located at 32044 Huron River Drive in New Boston) on Sunday, December 7, at 2 and 7 p.m. Tickets are \$14 for adults; \$10 for children ages 10 and under. For ticket information, call the Huron Civic Theatre Box Office: 782-5380.
- **The Mayor's Chair** – Special guests David Cox, Assistant to the Mayor; Carl Dollhoph, expert horticulturist; and Ted Gilliland of the Department of Public Works will appear on this month's segment of *The Mayor's Chair* to discuss the City's gypsy moth program and answer citizens' questions on the subject. The live program will air on cable channel 40 at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, December 11. Those who wish to be present in the audience during the broadcast must be seated in the Council Chambers at City Hall by 6:15 p.m.; viewers at home are invited to phone in (942-7571) with their questions.
- **Recreation Department To Form Youth Basketball Leagues** – The Romulus Recreation Department is planning Youth Basketball Leagues for students in grades three through high school. Leagues will be divided in the following manner: grades three and four, grades five and six, grades seven and eight, and grades nine through 12. If there are enough registrations, a separate division will be available for the girls in each age group. A one-day clinic (Saturday, December 13) will be held to assign players to teams. Practices (beginning in January) and games (beginning in February) will be held in the evenings and on weekends. Cost is \$20 per child. Deadline for registration is December 12. For more information, call 942-6852.
- **GED Testing** – GED testing will be conducted at the Romulus/Van Buren Adult Education Center (39000 Superior, Romulus) on Monday and Tuesday, December 15 and 16, from 4 to 8:30 p.m. To register, you must be at least 18 years of age and pay a \$40 registration fee in advance. For more information, contact Adult Education: 941-0610.
- **Recreation Department Organizes Trips for Youth** – The Romulus Recreation Department is planning a holiday skating trip for youths age five to 13 (Friday, January 2, from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.; cost of \$6 per person includes skate rental, but in-line skates are extra) and a trip for children age three and up to see a performance of *Aladdin* at the Northville Theatre (Saturday, January 3, from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.; cost is \$6 per person; parents are encouraged to attend with their children). Buses leave and depart from the Recreation building, located at 36515 Bibbins. Registration deadlines are December 30 and January 2, respectively. Call 942-6852 for more information.

To place information in the Community Calendar, mail it to "the little paper" at P.O. Box 74038, Romulus, MI 48174-0038; FAX it to us at 941-4874; or call 941-1907 or 941-3113

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PUZZLE ANSWERS

LEAPFROG:

(from page 10)

- 1) pickles; 2) splice; 3) spiel
- 4) washer; 5) share; 6) sear
- 7) arcade; 8) cadre; 9) aced
- 10) binge; 11) gibe; 12) beg
- 13) zebras; 14) saber; 15) bare
- 16) curate; 17) cruet; 18) cure
- 19) amnesia; 20) inseam; 21) anise
- 22) hamster; 23) master; 24) terms
- 25) ascertain; 26) canister; 27) certain
- 28) pedant; 29) adept; 30) date
- 31) underage; 32) derange; 33) danger
- 34) Kaiser; 35) Aries; 36) sire
- 37) calico; 38) colic; 39) coil
- 40) Michael; 41) malice; 42) claim

"Kwanzaa . . . Hanukah /
Christmas . . . peace"

YOU'LL FIND IT IN "SERENITY":

(from page 7)

eery, nest, rein, rent, rest, rise, rite, seen,
seer, sene, sent, sere, sine, sire, site,
stir, stye, teen, tern, tier, tine, tiny, tire,
tree, trey, yeti, enter, entry, ester, eyrie,
inert, inset, inter, niter, resin, rinse, risen,
seine, sente, siren, sneer, steer, stein,
stere, stern, tense, terse, trine, entire,
insert, resent, seiner, sentry, sneery,
tenser

First Segment of Capitol Update To Air

Capitol Update, a new, half-hour cable-television show, will air on MediaOne for the first time this month. The show will feature State Representative Raymond E. Basham (D-Taylor) addressing legislative issues that are of concern to the citizens of Romulus and Taylor.

In the first segment of *Capitol Update*, Basham will detail his proposals to regulate commercial hazardous-waste disposal facilities. The Representative says that he has initiated these proposals in response to local residents who have voiced their objections to a deep-injection well that has been proposed for operation in the City of Romulus.

Tentative scheduling calls for *Capitol Update* to air during the second week of December. Check your local cable access channels for programming updates. □

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REGULAR MEETING, NOVEMBER 10, 1997

The Regular Meeting of the Romulus Board of Education held on Monday, November 10, 1997 was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by President Julie A. Oleszkowicz. Roll call showed all Members present. All Administrators were present. Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Oleszkowicz.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

11/97/1 Moved by Kesner supported by Berlinn to approve the Agenda as presented. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

11/97/2 Moved by Berlinn supported by Gondek to approve the Minutes of October 27, 1997, as presented. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT:**Personnel Actions**

Dr. Samuel B. La Monica, Director of Human Resources, offered the following personnel actions for Board approval. Retirement: James Applebee, Head Custodian, Wick Elementary School, Effective November 7, 1997, and Nancy Smukal, Receptionist, Effective October 1, 1997. Resignation: Karen Valiquette, Teacher, Romulus Middle School, Effective September 1, 1997.

11/97/3 Moved by Gondek supported by Webb to accept the personnel actions as submitted by Dr. La Monica, Director of Human Resources. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Bills for Payment

11/97/4 Moved by Berlinn supported by Lenossi to approve the Bills for Payment as submitted by Mr. Joel R. Carr, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Teacher Recognition – Candace Walters

11/97/5 Move the Board of Education accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the attached Resolution recognizing teacher, Candace Walters, for her outstanding teaching and for completing the requirements for the National Board Certificate. The motion was unanimous.

Technology Report – Mary McGill and Linda Cook

Mary McGill and Linda Cook were present to update the Board of Education on technology and respond to their questions.

Elementary Copier Purchase

11/97/6 Moved by Lenossi supported by Woods that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee and purchase five (5) Kodak 2085 AF copiers for a total cost of \$82,500. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Computer Purchase

11/97/7 Moved by Webb supported by Gondek that the Board of Education accept the Finance Committee's consensus recommendation to purchase the attached computer equipment for a cost of \$65,309. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Proposed New Subdivision

Dr. William M. Bedell, Superintendent, shared the plats and the letter received from the Clerk's Office on the proposed subdivision in our city. Board discussion followed.

Communications and Expressions from the Public

Members of the audience discussed their concerns as they pertain to the operation of the School District.

Items of Interest from the Superintendent

Dr. William M. Bedell, Superintendent, shared the following items with the Board of Education: 1) Health Center memo – Mental Health; 2) Middle School – Expert Panel, and 3) Finance Minutes.

Questions and/or Concerns of Board Members

None.

Executive Session – Negotiations

11/97/8 Moved by Lenossi supported by Webb that the Board convene in Executive Session for the purpose of discussing negotiations. Roll call vote showed: Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The Board convened in Executive Session at 8:40 P.M. and reconvened in Regular Session at 9:07 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT:

11/97/9 Moved by Berlinn supported by Gondek that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:08 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Betty M. Lenossi, Secretary
Romulus Board of Education

Scores of State Festivals, Events Highlight Winter Fun

Looking for ways to enjoy the winter season? There are scores of activities and events throughout the State to keep you in a festive mood, AAA Michigan reports. The club has compiled a few suggestions, together with phone numbers to call for more information.

Santa Train

Kids can tell Santa Claus all about their Christmas wishes by climbing aboard the Adrian and Blissfield Railroad's "Santa Trains" during the weekends of December 6–7, 13–14, and 20–21. Departing from downtown Blissfield in Lenawee County at noon and 2 p.m., the train takes riders on a 90-minute jaunt through the countryside (517-486-5979).

Lights

Michigan's cities and countryside turn into glittering fantasylands of lights during the holidays.

Battlecreek's annual Festival of Lights, which has expanded into the suburbs and features thousands of lights, continues through December 30 (616-962-2240).

Flint's Crossroads Village and Huckleberry Railroad shows off more than 400,000 lights during "Christmas at Crossroads," which runs now through December 7, December 12–23, and December 26–30. Reservations are required to attend (810-736-7100 or 800-648-7275).

Other light fests include one in Bay City, which will continue through December 21 (517-893-3573); another in Ypsilanti during the weekends of December 5–7, 12–14, and 19–21, as well as on December 24, 25, and 31 (313-483-4444); and a third in Wyandotte, which will run through December 28 (313-246-4505).

In Southeast Michigan, the Wayne County Parks annual LightFest, billed as the Midwest's largest, features nearly a million lights along Hines Drive in Westland. The County LightFest runs now through December 24 and again from December 26 through January 1 (313-261-1990). Near Ann Arbor, Domino's Farms lights up its grounds for charity now through December 31 (313-930-5032). The Detroit Zoo's annual Wild Lights runs through January 4 (248-398-0900).

Jackson's Nite Lites, featuring more than 100,000 lights along a free, one-mile drive through the Jackson County Fairgrounds, runs Wednesdays through Sundays, now through December 25 (800-245-5282).

Outdoor Fun

Outside winter fun continues January 17–18 and 24–25 with the annual Tip-Up Town USA Winter Carnival on frozen Houghton Lake (800-248-5253).

In the Upper Peninsula (UP), St. Ignace's Sled Dog Enduro takes place January 24 (906-643-8717), and in the western UP, Houghton's annual Winter Carnival at Michigan Tech University runs from January 28 through February 1 (906-487-2818).

In Plymouth, world champion carvers – including some who will sculpt at the upcoming Winter Olympics to be held in Japan – will compete for honors in the annual Ice Sculpture Spectacular, which will take place downtown January 14–19 (313-459-6969).

In Frankenmuth, the annual Zehnder's Snowfest will attract ice and snow carvers from across the world from February 3–8 (517-652-0400). Cadillac's North American Snowmobile Festival is set to take place on the same dates (616-652-0400 or 800-863-7999).

Sault Ste. Marie's annual I-500 snowmobile race is planned for February 7 (800-MI-SAULT or 906-635-1500), and Tawas Bay's Perchville USA festival will be February 6–8 (800-558-2927 or 517-362-8643). The annual UP Sled Dog Championship race trots off February 19–23 in Marquette (906-428-9307), while the Iron Mountain ski jumping competition will be launched on February 15 and 16 (906-774-4580). On an offbeat note, the Christmas Pickle Festival continues through December 7 in Berrien Springs (616-471-9680).

For information about other events, refer to the State's "Great Lakes, Great Times" calendar of events and travel guide. Call 888-78-GREAT, or check out the Travel Michigan website at www.michigan.org.

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Sassy Seniors

By Mary E. Clark

Special thanks to Audry Moomaw, Manager of the Romulus Tower, and Linda Norman, Senior Citizens Program Coordinator for the City of Romulus, for contributing information to this issue's "Sassy Seniors" column.

(Note: For more information about events at the Romulus Senior Center, located at 36515 Bibbins, call 942-6852.)

Happy Birthday!

Happy birthday to those of my Tower neighbors born in December: Taylor Byrd, Alexander Carr, Leona Dudley, Edith Godwin, Julia Horton, Wanda Kazulewski, Ella Lassetter, Lois Liske, Roy Livingston, Elizabeth Mack, Lucretia Maze, Grace Nehra, Genora Shelby, Alice Simmons, and Ethel Sumner.

Tax Preparers Needed

The American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) is looking for volunteers interested in donating their time to prepare local senior citizens' 1997 tax returns. Each volunteer will receive free training and necessary supplies – and, in return, will be asked to donate four hours of his/her time once a week during the upcoming tax season to prepare returns at the Romulus Senior Center. For more information about this important program, which needs your help to survive, call 942-6852.

Leon's, Lights

At 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, December 11, the Romulus Senior Center van will travel to Hines Park to see Wayne County's annual Festival of Lights display, with a side trip to Leon's for dinner on the way. A \$3 fee covers transportation and admission to the park; dinner is extra. Sign up at the Center.

Snow-removal Hints

Mr. J. A. Toth will be on hand at the Romulus Senior Center at 1 p.m. on Friday, December 12, to give a 10-minute talk/demonstration on how to shovel snow but still minimize back injuries and undue strain on your heart. Be sure to stop by and learn his secrets!

Bowlers Needed

The Romulus Senior-citizen Bowling League is in need of both regular and substitute bowlers (age 55 or older). Call the Center for more information.

Walking Club

Local seniors are invited to meet at the Center every Wednesday at 9 a.m. to ride the "senior van" over to Wayne County Community College's Haggerty Road campus for some safe, indoor walking (at your own pace) during the winter months. There is no charge to participate in this program.

Free Blood-pressure Readings

GranCare Home Health invites local seniors to stop in at the Romulus Senior Center at 1 p.m. on the first and third Monday of each month for a free blood-pressure check and a chance to "ask the nurse" questions regarding medications, preventive health alternatives, disease processes, etc. (Next date: December 15.)

No advance registration is required.

Ask the Attorney

Local attorney Brian A. Oakley's monthly "Ask the Attorney" program – a free consultation service for Romulus senior citizens – has been set for Wednesday, December 10, from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Romulus Senior Center. Both walk-ins (36515 Bibbins) and call-ins (942-6852) are welcome.

On behalf of the many seniors whom Oakley has helped, the Center's staff thanks him for his continuing volunteer service.

Weekly Programs

The Romulus Senior Center has a full schedule of weekly programs for senior citizens' enjoyment. Come in on your own or bring a friend for ceramics (Mondays at 1 and 6 p.m.); Club #1 meetings (Tuesdays at 11 a.m.); euchre (Tuesdays at 1 p.m.); bingo (Wednesdays at 1 p.m.); pinochle (Thursdays at 1 p.m.); and craft classes (Thursdays at 1 p.m.).

Hot Lunch

For just \$1.50, Romulus seniors (age 60 and over) can enjoy a hot lunch at the Center any weekday at 11:30 a.m. Call the Romulus Senior Center at least 24 hours in advance to make a reservation.

Home delivery of hot meals is also available for qualified individuals. For more information about "Meals on Wheels," call 1-800-851-1454.

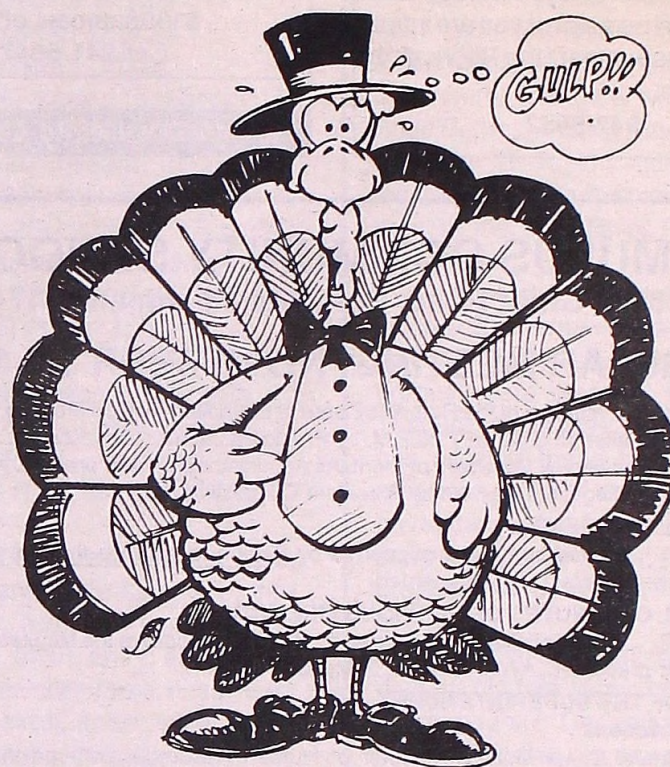
Volunteers Wanted

The Wayne County Office of Nutrition Services is seeking volunteers to deliver hot meals to home-bound seniors in Romulus. All that is needed is a willing heart, transportation, and 30 to 60 minutes, one to five mornings per week. Volunteers receive a 21-cents-per-mile reimbursement. For more information, call Fran Ryder at 326-4441.

Chore Services for Seniors

The Wayne Metropolitan Community Services Agency is now offering a chore service for senior citizens. Since the program is funded, in part, by the Senior Alliance, a donation is requested for services received. For more information, please call 313-843-2550. □

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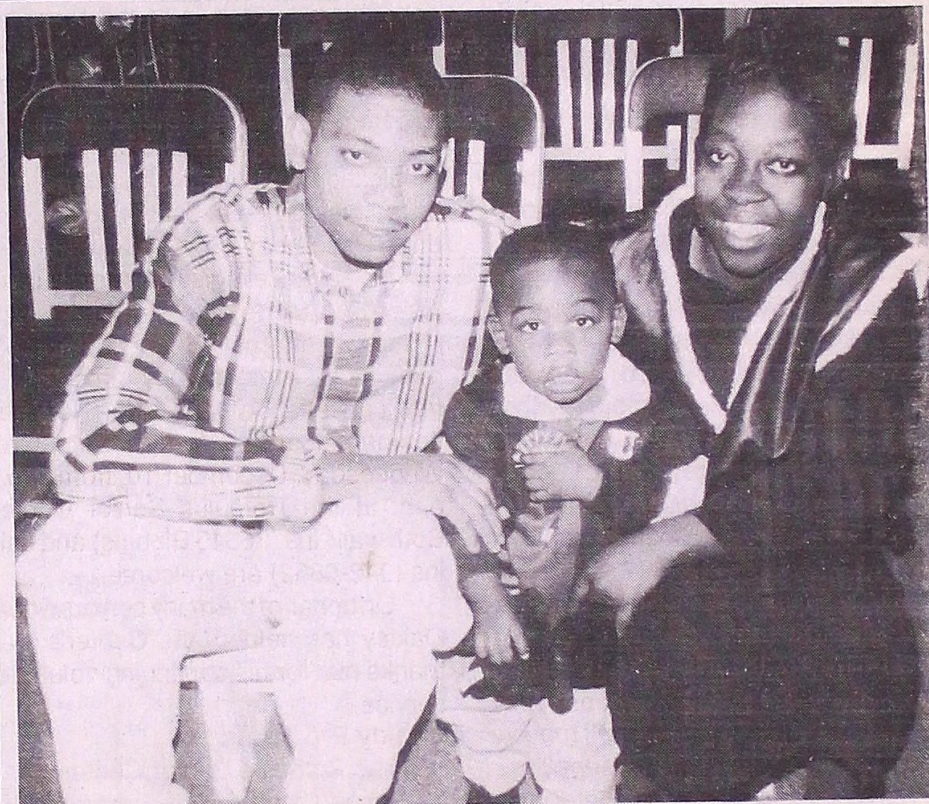
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Congratulations!

Harris Takes First in Baby Contest



Justin Horne and Sylvia Harris of Romulus proudly pose with son Emmanuel Melik Borking Harris, who won a \$200 savings bond by taking top honors in a recent baby contest at Romulus Community Baptist Church. Other bond recipients were the second-place winner, Jasmine Vanice Black, daughter of William and Darnice Black of Inkster (\$100), and the third-place winner, Charles Cole Jr. III, son of Charles Cole Jefferson and Victoria Jefferson of Westland (\$50).

Obituaries

Virginia Joyce (Teitz) Eddings

Virginia Joyce (Teitz) Eddings of Dearborn Heights, Michigan – a former resident of Romulus, Michigan – died on Saturday, November 22, 1997. She was 63 years old.

The native of Inkster, Michigan, was born on June 22, 1934.

Virginia is survived by four sons, Paul W. (Wayne, MI), Ray L. (Romulus, MI), Dale J. (Romulus, MI), and Wayne E. Eddings (Redford, MI); one daughter, Mrs. Jack (Faith) Steffey (Southgate, MI); two stepbrothers, Thomas (Inkster,

MI) and Mickey McFarland (Fenton, MI); one sister, Mrs. Dale (Gloria) Graham (Westland, MI); and two grandchildren. She was predeceased by two sisters.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday, November 26, at Crane Funeral Home (Romulus, MI), with the Reverend Michael Rothgery (St. James Lutheran Church, Detroit, MI) officiating. Interment was at Parkview Memorial Park (Livonia, MI).

Memorial tributes may be made to any charitable organization.

Howard E. "Skip" Overmyer

Howard E. "Skip" Overmyer of Romulus, Michigan, died on Saturday, November 22, 1997, at the age of 55.

A native of Detroit, Michigan, Skip was born on October 6, 1942. He and wife Janice were married in Wayne, Michigan, on August 7, 1976.

Surviving Skip are his wife and one son, Skip Overmyer.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday, November 26, at Crane Funeral Home (Romulus, MI), with the Reverend Robert Allman (St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, New Boston, MI) officiating. Interment was at Parkview Memorial Park (Livonia, MI).

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